

NEWS DIGEST

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Troops battle Moslems in Kashmir city

JAMMU, India — Troops battled mobs of Moslem separatists in the Kashmir city of Srinagar over the weekend, and at least 21 people were killed and 100 wounded before the fighting subsided Sunday night, police said.

Fifteen demonstrators were shot and killed Sunday, while six were fatally wounded late Saturday night, said Mohammad Nomani, inspector general of Srinagar police. Militants defied a curfew and continued trading intermittent shots with government forces on Sunday, officials said.

Witnesses, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the death toll was at least 30, but that figure could not be confirmed.

Nomani, speaking by telephone from Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu-Kashmir state, said the fighting tapered off late Sunday afternoon as heavy rains lashed the city.

But gunfire echoed through the deserted streets until evening, one resident said, requesting anonymity.

"They (the troops) are shooting at anything moving," he said.

Mutinous Azerbaijan cadets battle

MOSCOW — Dozens of mutinous Azerbaijani military cadets fired on Soviet troops patrolling their capital Sunday, and tens of thousands of people mourned victims of a bloody crackdown on their republic's nationalist uprising.

The cadets, joined by comrades from the neighboring Caucasus republic of Georgia, battled for 20 minutes in the morning and sporadically throughout the day with Soviet soldiers at Baku's garrison and military academy, reported Arif Yunusov of the Azerbaijani Social Democratic Group.

The downtown garrison was the scene of some of the fiercest fighting when thousands of troops stormed into Baku, the southern republic's capital, early Saturday and broke through barricades erected by militants.

Sporadic fighting has continued since. On Saturday, in the first report of soldiers dividing along ethnic lines, a local activist said 125 Azerbaijani soldiers fought a pitched battle with those sent in to restore order.

Communists expel Krenz, party crippled

WEST BERLIN — East Germany's Communist Party on Sunday expelled Egon Krenz, the ousted leader who opened the Berlin Wall, and lost its popular No. 2 official in a resignation that could cripple the already hobbled party.

The Communists offered the opposition "co-responsibility" in the government until May elections, abolished their clasped-hands emblem and offered to change their party's name.

Also Sunday, the government threw former Parliament speaker Horst Sindermann into prison along with two other former members of the now-disgraced leadership, and it opened a criminal probe of the Communist finance minister on charges of theft.

Wolfgang Berghofer, a reformer who was the Communist Party's deputy chairman, resigned along with 39 other prominent members in his home city of Dresden, the official news agency ADN said.

Berghofer, the 46-year-old mayor of Dresden, is credited with helping to head off a potential massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators in October. He became the first East German leader to urge adoption of a free-market economy.

Washington mayor to seek treatment

WASHINGTON — Mayor Marion Barry, acknowledging that he needs "to heal my body, mind and soul," but declining to mention drug abuse, announced Sunday that he will seek help following his arrest on a cocaine possession charge.

"He has reached the hour of reckoning," said his wife, Effi.

At times blinking back tears, the mayor provided no further details on what kind of assistance he will seek, except to say that social activist and self-described nutritional expert Dick Gregory has been consulting him on how to get help.

An aide said Barry's main problem was with alcoholism.

Top advisers to the mayor, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that the mayor is considering checking into the Betty Ford Clinic in Rancho Mirage, Calif., and two unnamed clinics in the Washington area.

A decision on where the mayor will be treated is expected before Monday, the aides said.

Congress to be exposed to nudists' needs

WASHINGTON — When Congress returns this week, lobbyist Kevin Kearney will climb out of his hot tub, slip into a suit and head for Capitol Hill to give America's 35,000 card-carrying nudists national exposure.

Kearney, 38, is the first full-time lobbyist for the Florida-based American Sunbathing Association. Kearney has become an enthusiastic convert to "clothing-optimal" recreation since hired last March by the oldest and biggest nudist organization in the country.

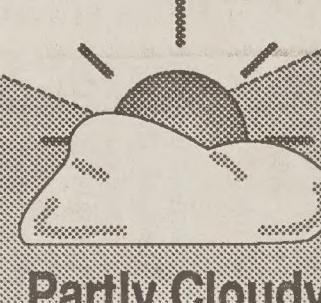
Kearney already lobbied the National Park Service and other federal agencies to issue regulations guaranteeing nudists the right to enjoy swimming, hiking, white-water "canoeing" and other recreational activities on public lands. But George Berkley, a National Park Service spokesman, said, "We have no intention of developing regulations which allow for nude sunbathing," he said.

Kearney is thinking of inviting every member of Congress to a nearby Maryland nudist camp this summer to shed their inhibitions, press the flesh and enjoy some barbecue in the buff.

WEATHER

SLC/Provo

Today: partly cloudy skies. Highs in the 30s, lows 15-20.



Partly Cloudy

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Tuesday: variable cloudy skies and hazy. Highs 30-40, lows teens to 20s.

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Quote of the day:
"Untwisting all the chains that tie
The hidden soul of harmony."

—John Milton

Pro-Life march, 17 years of protest

By SUZANNE CONDIE
University Staff Writer

cluded Saturday's "Support the Stork Baby Shower" and "Sanctity Sunday."

Infant and maternity goods collected at the baby shower will be donated to Birthright, the Crisis Pregnancy Center, and other organizations assisting needy pregnant women, said Camille Williams, the president of the Utah Citizens for Alternatives to Abortion.

On Sanctity Sunday, Protestant church leaders were asked by Pro-

Life Week organizers to mention abortion in their sermons, said Rosa Goodnight, president of Right to Life of Utah.

Pro-Life Week ends at 10 a.m. today with the 17th annual "Memorial for Life" at the Capitol Rotunda. Lt. Gov. Val Oveson and former state representative Irvin Skousen are

scheduled to speak, Goodnight said. Several of Utah's senators and congressmen will send representatives, she added.

A Pro-Choice rally, also at the Rotunda, will begin at noon today. These marches and rallies are part of a series of events marking the 17th anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

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BYU stares Ph.D. faculty shortage in the face

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BYU's projected shortage of qualified faculty members with Ph.D.'s is already taking its toll on several BYU departments, most notably in the social sciences, and President Rex E. Lee says time may be the only cure.

Meanwhile, BYU colleges and departments are paying the price. President Lee first gave attention to the oncoming Ph.D. drought at a faculty meeting in August 1989.

"Over the next 10 years, 33 percent of our faculty will retire if we assume an average retirement age of 65," he said. "We're going to be losing some of our very best people, and the replacement of those retirees will be the single most important thing that we will do in ... the future of this institution."

L. Robert Webb, BYU assistant academic vice president, said it is projected that 405 of BYU's 1,325 faculty members will retire between now and 1999. The anticipated retirements and the nationwide Ph.D. shortage, combined with an awareness of the university's special hiring procedures, have BYU administrators concerned.

The Problem

Seventy-seven percent of BYU's faculty members (1,019) have their doctorates. According to 1989 records, the average age of BYU professors is 48.9 years. When these professors retire, there may not be enough qualified replacements.

"We don't see a pool of well qualified LDS professors available to offset the retirements, and that is indeed a concern of the university," Webb said.

Several BYU departments are already having a difficult time. Four openings remain, for example, in the Economics Department, with university officials unable to fill them.

This problem is not unique to BYU—it is a nationwide trend. *U.S. News and World Report* says the number of Americans who are getting their Ph.D.'s today, especially in the social sciences and humanities, has dropped dramatically since the 1970s. The number of Ph.D.'s in the field of history, for example, is half of what it was in the mid-1970s.

The market plays an important role in the shortage. It was a glut of Ph.D.'s in the 1970s that helped cause the current trend. "Salaries stagnated to the point that, after inflation,

nothing less than determining the kind of university that we're going to have for decades to come... Rather than fill any vacancy with someone who is not representative of the kind of university we want to have, I would rather shift some resources around or make some temporary arrangements or if need be, even leave some classes untaught for a year. When you bring on a new faculty member, you are affecting not only that person and your department and college, but the entire university."

The Complications

The nationwide Ph.D. problem complicates BYU's problem. While BYU searches for professors, colleges across the nation are doing likewise.

"We're no longer competing with the Intermountain universities. Now we're competing with universities na-

tionwide."

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such as accepting a position at another university or company.

Radebaugh, for example, was offered the position of dean at another university. The Marriott School of Business Management Dean K. Fred Skousen has been placed in a similar situation. Although they both turned down the offers, the offers nevertheless illustrate the complication.

Meanwhile, the average age of faculty members continues to rise. Today it is 48.9 years; just three years ago it was 48.6 years.

Webb said professors with more experience or those established in their fields are usually given preference. For example, more consideration may be given to an associate professor than to an assistant professor. This often translates to hiring older professors.

However, Webb said if BYU does not start hiring younger people, it will find itself having an even harder time filling faculty positions in the future.

The Solutions

To cope with the retirement problem, BYU administrators have decided on several alternatives.

One plan is to make temporary appointments or invite visiting professors to help carry the load. However, if the load is too heavy, rather than fill positions with unqualified instructors, courses will be temporarily eliminated.

Another solution would be to offer higher salaries to qualified professors and match offers from competing universities. "When a professor leaves, it's because he can get more money somewhere else," Webb said.

For those who want to become college professors, the hiring prospects couldn't be better, Webb said.

Paul B. Pixton, History Department chairman, said universities have the task of encouraging students to receive Ph.D.'s. "A lot of students get turned off in the classroom because (teaching) seems such a drudgery for the professor," he said.

One solution to increase student interest in returning to BYU as professors is a "gift fund." The fund will help pay for the student's education as long as the student agrees to come back to teach at BYU.

Other ways BYU will deal with the Ph.D. shortage are to plan for the future, be creative and aggressive in

recruiting faculty, and take steps to keep current faculty members qualified.

Webb said. The university will also be more willing to grant professors leave to do more study and gain more experience, he said.

Finally, the market will help.

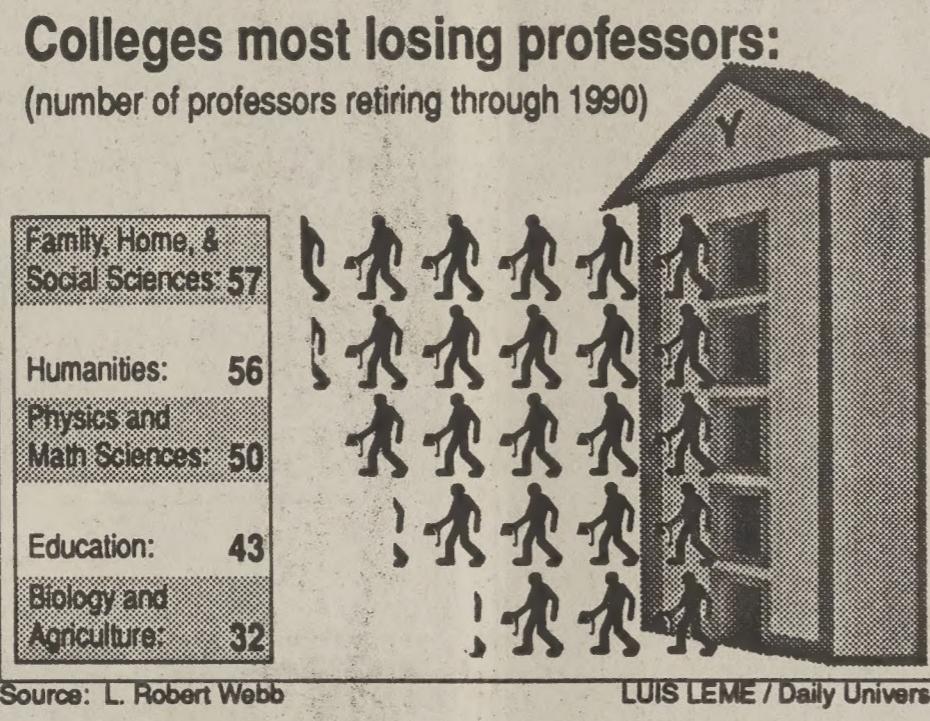
"It is a serious problem, but the market will help in a certain sense," President Lee said at a forum for student questions Dec. 6. He referred to economists' speculation that as the shortage develops, the salaries for Ph.D.'s will shoot up.

In this case, time may be one of the only solutions to the problem, President Lee said.

Meanwhile, the administration is stepping carefully.

"Those faculty slots are our single most precious possession," President Lee said.

"The basic decision as to how we fill them will be made principally by the departments affected."



tionwide," Webb said.

To attract qualified professors, BYU must offer salaries equal to other institutions. But it doesn't. BYU lags behind universities such as Harvard, Stanford or Yale.

For the Marriott School of Management, the starting salary for professors is \$5,000 to \$10,000 below the market salaries, said Lee H. Radebaugh, assistant dean of the Marriott School of Business Management.

"We've lost some good people in recent years," Radebaugh said of potential prospects who interviewed with BYU.

But BYU faces an added burden of finding faculty who are well qualified to teach and who comply with the university's moral standards and dress and grooming code. Preference is given to hiring members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

President Lee is adamant that new faculty members continue to meet the high standards BYU has set.

"When we fill most faculty slots, as we will fill hundreds of them over the next 10 years, we will be (doing) far more than hiring people to teach classes," he said. "We will be doing

another factor that exacerbates the problem is indirectly caused by students who have shifted their attitudes, educational achievements and values.

In the past 20 years, American college freshmen have dramatically emphasized the value of money, power and status, according to a report, "The American Freshman: Twenty Year Trends, 1966-1985," produced by the Cooperative Institutional Research Program at UCLA.

There is a corresponding increase in students choosing business as a probable major at universities all over the country, including BYU.

"In the areas of majors and careers, the CIRP data document a migration away from the traditional liberal arts fields into more occupationally-oriented majors," the study said. "Business has emerged as the No. 1 major and career choice of today's freshman."

Radebaugh related a story of a recent BYU graduate who entered the work force and has already made his first million. "There's no way we can compete with that," he said.

Some BYU professors leave BYU for reasons other than retirement.

History Department: No Ph.D.'s in pipeline

Fourteen faculty members in the History Department will reach retirement age in the next 10 years, and there may not be enough students with doctorates to fill the need, said the department chairman, Paul B. Pixton.

Faculty members don't have to retire at age 65, but Pixton said he expects a high percentage will.

"I know right now there aren't enough Ph.D.'s in the pipeline to meet our needs," he said.

The history graduate department has always been booked with students, but most of them are seeking master's degrees, said David Montgomery, history graduate coordinator. The majority of history graduate students are from the People's Republic of China and will return to their homeland when they finish their degree.

In addition, many are re-entry students—teachers in the seminary and institute program, women going through the empty-nest syndrome and retirees, he said.

"In a sense, they will not contribute to solving our needs ... but we are glad to fill their desire to be educated," said Montgomery.

The department recently decided

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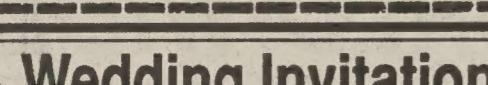
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LIFESTYLE

Students learn Japanese art of paper sculpting

By WENDY SEAL
University Staff Writer

Make it, shape it, cut it, glue it, mold it. Paper as a medium for sculpture has unlimited possibilities, said Jana Pulman, a bindery specialist at the University of Utah.

Pulman discussed the newly resurrected arts of papermaking and paper sculpture in a two-day workshop sponsored by the BYU Art Department Jan. 19-20.

"People have the misconception that paper is only used for note taking, typing or printing, but paper is an art medium with tremendous versatility," Pulman said.

Diane Wright, 23, a senior from Sandy, majoring in art, who attended the workshop said, "Paper can be made to resemble clay or stone. It can also be used to make monumental sculptures which are lightweight and easy to transport."

As part of the 1987 Utah Arts Festival, Pulman collaborated with Chicago artist Mary Hark to create a series of paper "walls." The 10- to 40-foot-long walls were part of an outdoor environmental exhibit and ranged in height from four to 14 feet.

During the workshop, Pulman directed the 16 participants in casting paper molds. She also demonstrated the popular techniques used in Western and Eastern, or Japanese, paper making processes.

The primary difference between

the two types is their structure," Pulman said.

The thin, transparent Japanese paper is made of inner plant fibers while Western paper is composed of cotton or flax fibers.

"Western paper requires industrial size equipment, but the Japanese technique is very simple once learned and can be done at home," she said.

BYU art professor Brent Ghering said students in the Art Department are in favor of instigating a paper sculpting class.

"Up to this time I have taught some of the rudiments of papermaking on an individual basis," said Ghering. "We would like to get a regularly scheduled class going."

One of the purposes of the workshop was to generate more student interest.

Jaime Weidmer, 22, a senior, majoring in art education, said she is excited about starting a class in papermaking and paper sculpture.

"I hope we have enough support to offer a course for spring," Weidmer said.

According to a historical overview given by Pulman in a slide presentation prior to the workshop, the art of papermaking originated in China, moving to Japan and other parts of Asia before spreading to Western civilization. The past few years have seen a resurgent interest in paper technology, and Pulman said she hopes the trend continues.



Universe photo by Jennifer Smith

Twist, shimmy?

Cindy Wilson sings 'Gimme Back My Man' from the B-52's 6th album 'Cosmic Thing.' Wilson, nicknamed 'Purple Passion' flashed gogo boots and a new hairdo at the Marriott Center Saturday night.

Church needs skilled people in film industry

By DAN COOK
University Staff Writer

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is at a media crossroads, according to the writer-director of the LDS film "How Rare a Possession."

Russ Holt said, "The Church is going to need dedicated LDS people with media skill and talent. They're going to need true craftsmen in the motion picture industry."

Holt told an audience of 30 students and faculty members that there is a place for LDS film makers. "It's not easy, but it can be done," he said.

Holt wrote and directed the Book of Mormon, Another Testament of Jesus Christ film, "How Rare a Possession," for the Church and is currently employed by the audiovisual division of the Church's Curriculum Department.

No one taught Holt how to make a film, he learned from doing it. He made his first film in the seventh grade in Los Angeles, Calif.

Using his father's 8 mm camera, he made a short documentary about the city of Los Angeles for a social studies class.

At his teacher's request, they showed it to the other grades and received a great deal of positive feedback.

However, after this and other media experiments, Holt said it never occurred to him to have filmmaking as a career.

He graduated from BYU in 1978 with a degree in Communications and an emphasis in advertising. After working in the field, he learned that he wanted something more.

Holt took a job with the Church as a writer and editor and began to make a film in his spare time. Using books and asking questions, he made a 30-minute documentary on the life of Harold B. Lee.

Holt said no one taught him how to direct actors; he just started doing it. "You cast superb actors, work with a good script and the directing takes care of itself. You help actors see the same vision you have."

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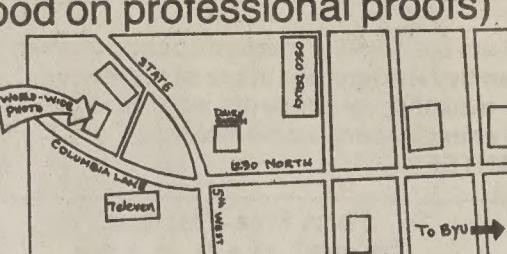


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SPORTS

BYU edges Wyoming, sweeps road trip

By SCOTT NIENDORF
Asst. Sports Editor

The BYU Men's Basketball team scored the last nine points of the game against Western Athletic Conference foe Wyoming Saturday to win 65-60 at the Arena Auditorium in Laramie, Wyo., in front of 12,517 boisterous fans.

The Cougars improved their record to 14-3 with the win and lead the WAC with a 5-1 conference mark.

BYU led most of the way against the Cowboys with consistent play on offense, making 50 percent of its shots from the field for the game. The Cougars' defensive play held Wyoming to only 33 percent.

BYU's highest lead of the game was nine points at 27-18 with 6:51 to go in the first half. After the Cowboys called timeout, Wyoming guard Tim Breaux's layup on an offensive rebound cut the lead to seven. But after Cougar Andy Toolson answered with a basket to make the score 29-20, BYU's machine-like offense started to fall apart.

The Cougars had four turnovers and a missed layup on their next five possessions, while the Cowboys scored seven straight points to cut BYU's lead to two to make it 29-27 with 2:22 left in the half.

After a Cougar timeout, center Alan Astle grabbed an offensive rebound off of Marty Haws' missed shot and made a basket inside the key to make the halftime score 31-27.

Wyoming stepped up its defensive pressure in the second half and rallied to tie the game at 33-33. BYU answered with a Toolson basket and free throw and then a Mark Durrant basket to give the Cougars a five point lead.

Wyoming charged back to tie the

game at 46 and go ahead at 48-46. But BYU answered the challenge again with two Durrant free throws and a slashing reverse layup by Toolson off of a Haws pass to lead by two.

Wyoming's home-court advantage came into play with five minutes to go in the game. The Cowboys went on an 11-5 run over a two-minute span, capped by a three-point shot by Breaux and a layup and foul shot by Rich Henry to lead 60-56 for their biggest lead of the game.

However, the Cougars responded again with two clutch free throws by Durrant to make it 60-58.

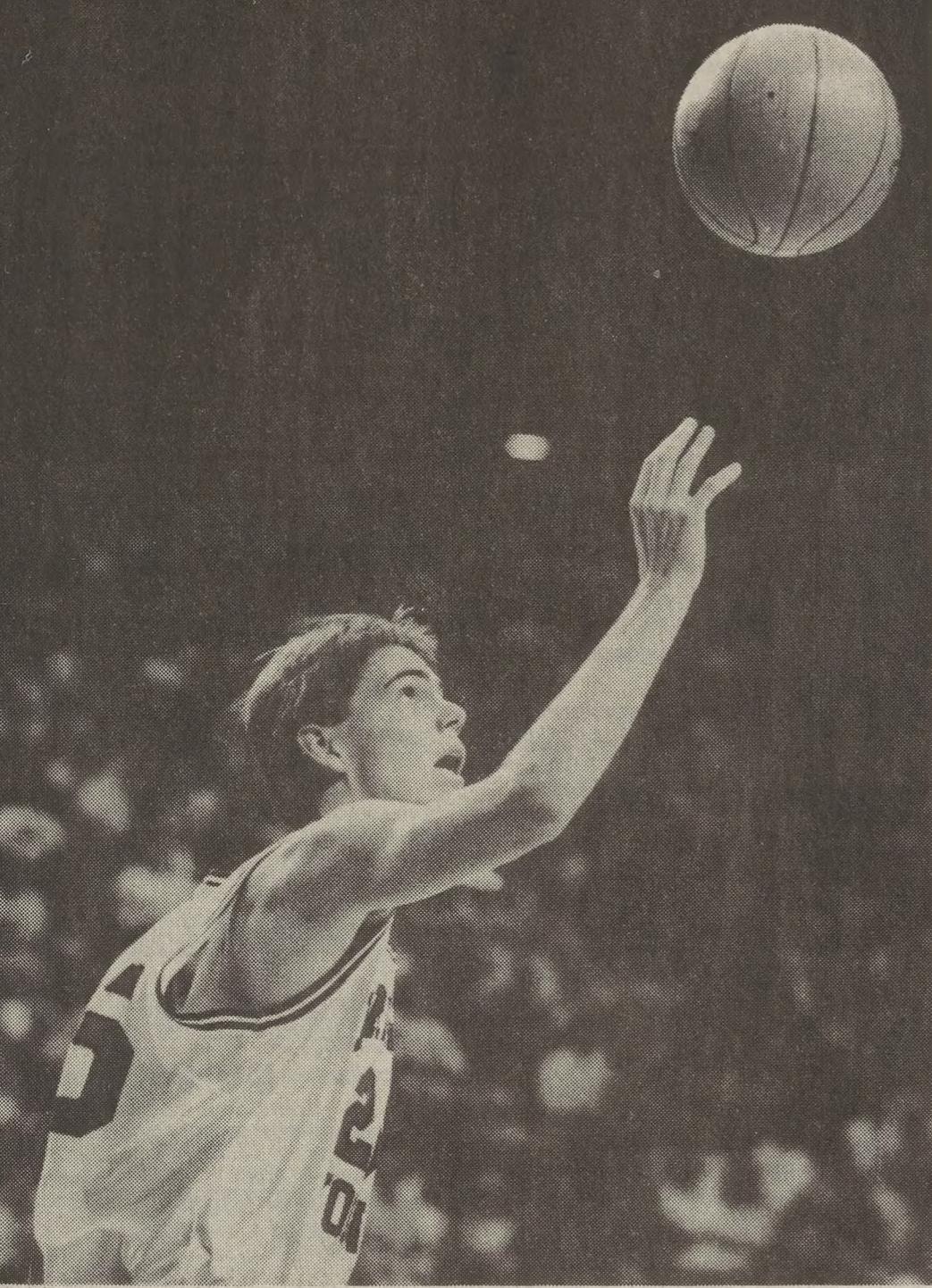
Wyoming tried to run some time off the clock and took a bad shot with the 45-second shot clock running out. Durrant took the rebound and made a long pass downcourt to Haws who laid the ball in to tie the game at 60-60.

BYU finished the 9-0 run by scoring on a Toolson jumper and three Kevin Santiago free throws. Wyoming's last six possessions were fruitless.

BYU was out-rebounded by the Cowboys, 37-26, but had all five of its starters score in double figures and the team making 18 of 25 free throws. Haws had 15 points, Durrant had 12, and Toolson, Santiago and Steve Schreiner all had 10 each.

BYU made just one of its four three-point attempts but Wyoming hit only 4 out of 19 three-point shots and only getting three players into double-digit scoring.

"A lot of people think all they have to do is stop Toolson and Haws, that we are just a two-man team," said BYU coach Roger Reid in an AP interview. "We have guys who know their role. I hope other teams keep concentrating on stopping just two guys," he said.



Universe photo by Bryan L. Anderson

BYU guard Mark Durrant reaches for a rebound in a game at the Marriott Center earlier this year.

BYU netters go down 8-1 to USC

By MEGAN E. OGILVIE
Universe Sports Writer

The 11th-ranked USC Trojan Men's Tennis team defeated BYU 8-1 in its first home match in the Indoor Tennis Courts Friday evening. BYU and USC played tight matches, seven of the nine going to three sets, before the largest crowd in years, said BYU tennis Coach Jim Osborne.

Osborne said USC's coaches thought these were "the closest matches they've ever had against BYU." Osborne said that the match helped his team see "they are national caliber."

"We were really proud of the support of the fans," said Osborne. "Both teams liked playing to the crowd," he said.

BYU's Johnny Mattice, ranked 41st in the nation, won the only match of the tournament against USC's Donny Isaak 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. "I played well enough to win," said Mattice, who is nursing a sore ankle. The match was "more of a fight, a moral victory," he said.

USC's nationally-ranked star, Byron Black, of Zimbabwe, did not play in the match because of a hand injury.

However, USC proved its ability by pulling out the close matches, said Mattice.

In the number one singles match, Mattice started off conservatively, said Osborne, but "slowly worked his way back in the match." In doubles, Mattice and Gabe Pate lost to Andras Lanyi and Isaak in three tie-breaking sets. Pate took the place of Mike Bucan who hurt his back during the singles match.

Andrew Sheppert also had a fluke injury and did not play in the number three doubles game. Jimmy Higgins, who had BYU's only other victory in exhibition play against Chris Swortwood 4-6, 6-4, 7-5, played doubles with Brian Hardin in place of Sheppert.

"Andrew gave it his all," said Osborne, who was glad to be able to substitute. "We've got very good depth," he said.

BYU's number two player George Chingas lost to Andras Lanyi 6-7, 6-3, 7-5. Chingas and Lance Squire won their first doubles set against USC's Martin Dionne and Paul Brandt, but lost the match 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

The men's next match is against Idaho State Jan. 30 at 2 p.m. ISU has "recruited some foreigners," said Osborne, which makes it difficult to gauge how ISU will play.

Wrestlers upset 25th-ranked Oregon State

By ANDY BOYCE
Universe Sports Writer

BYU chalked up a big win Saturday night as the Cougar Wrestling team upheld its dual record to 3-4.

BYU, the defending WAC champions, defeated 25th-ranked Oregon St. 25-11 thanks to a strong performance by its freshman wrestlers.

The Cougars tied three of the first five bouts but they came on strong to win four of the remaining five bouts.

BYU head coach Alan Albright said, "Our Freshman really were impressive tonight, they had to wrestle some tough matches and they had some key wins."

In the 118-pound division, BYU freshman Kelton Anderson overcame a slow start to tie Randy Price 5-5 in a very fast paced bout.

In the 142-pound division, BYU junior and defending WAC champion, Robbie Winter, ran his record to 15-3 as he started fast and nearly pinned Neil Russo.

Winter won the bout 5-0. Albright said that this match was one of the better matches.

Kohls had a good start and wrestled an impressive bout, Albright said.

Jazz beat Hornets 116-93 in Salt Lake

By BRETT A. BLAKE
Universe Sports Writer

The Charlotte Hornets came to Utah on the heels of its longest winning streak on the road this season, one win, and left with no more. The Jazz beat the Hornets 116-93 at the Salt Palace on Friday night.

The Hornets, playing without Rex Chapman, who is averaging 18.9 points per game, fell behind early in the game and never challenged for the lead again.

Former Jazz player, Kelly Tripucka, found no welcome from his former fans. Tripucka was booted by Jazz fans as he was introduced.

"We beat ourselves tonight," Tripucka said. "We did some good things on defense at first, but we just weren't consistent."

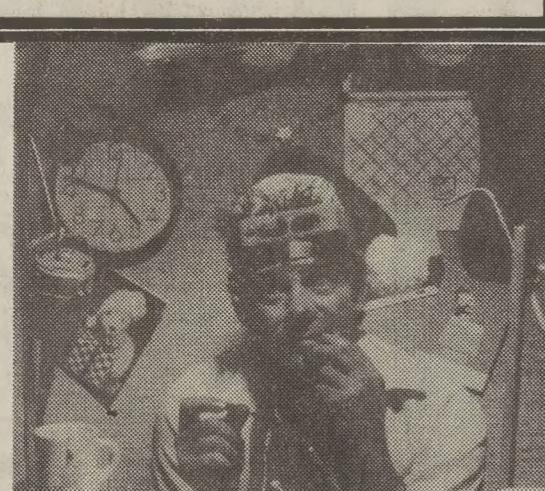
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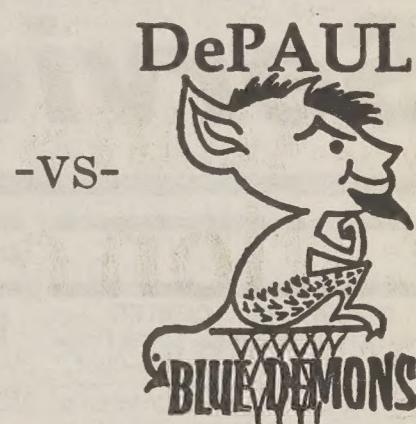
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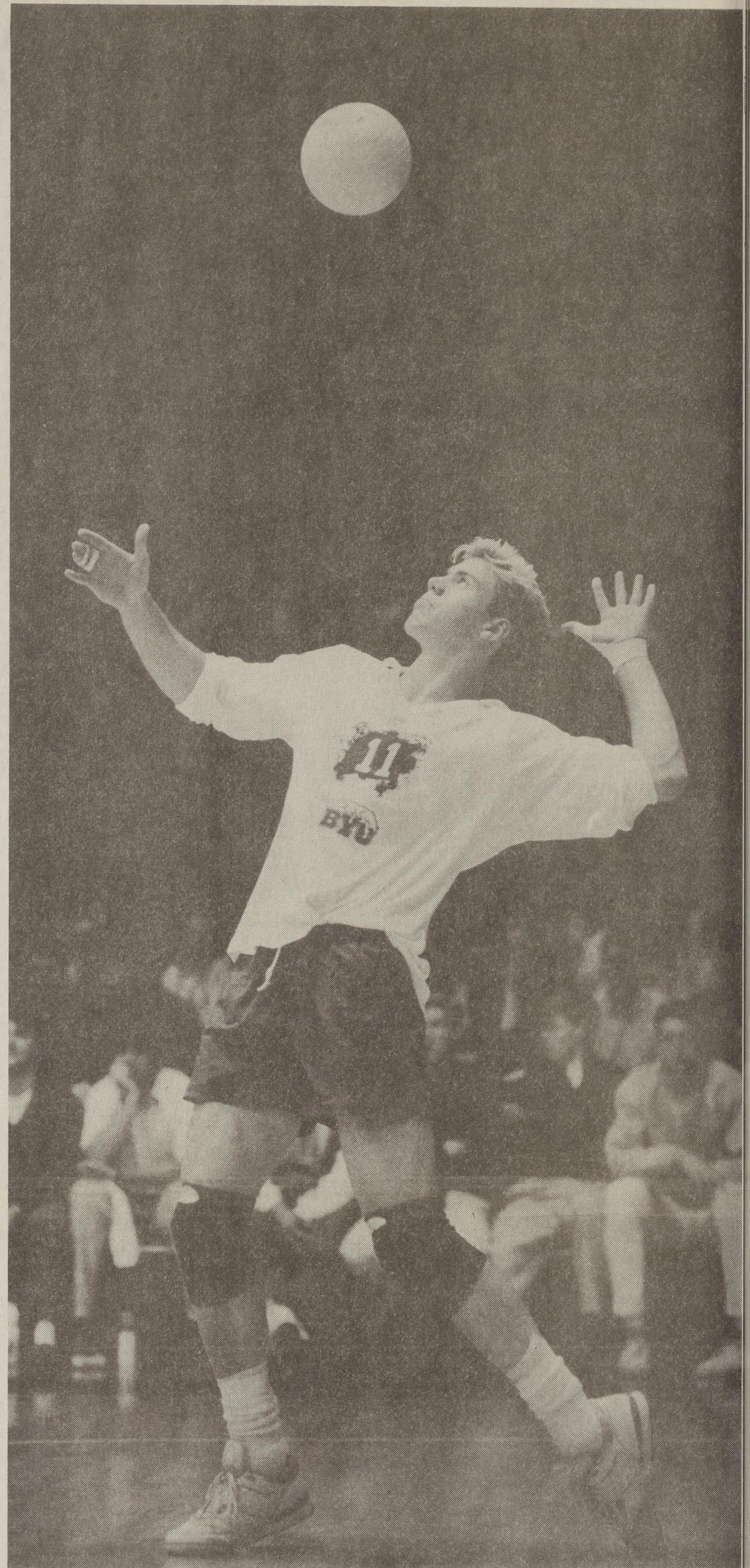
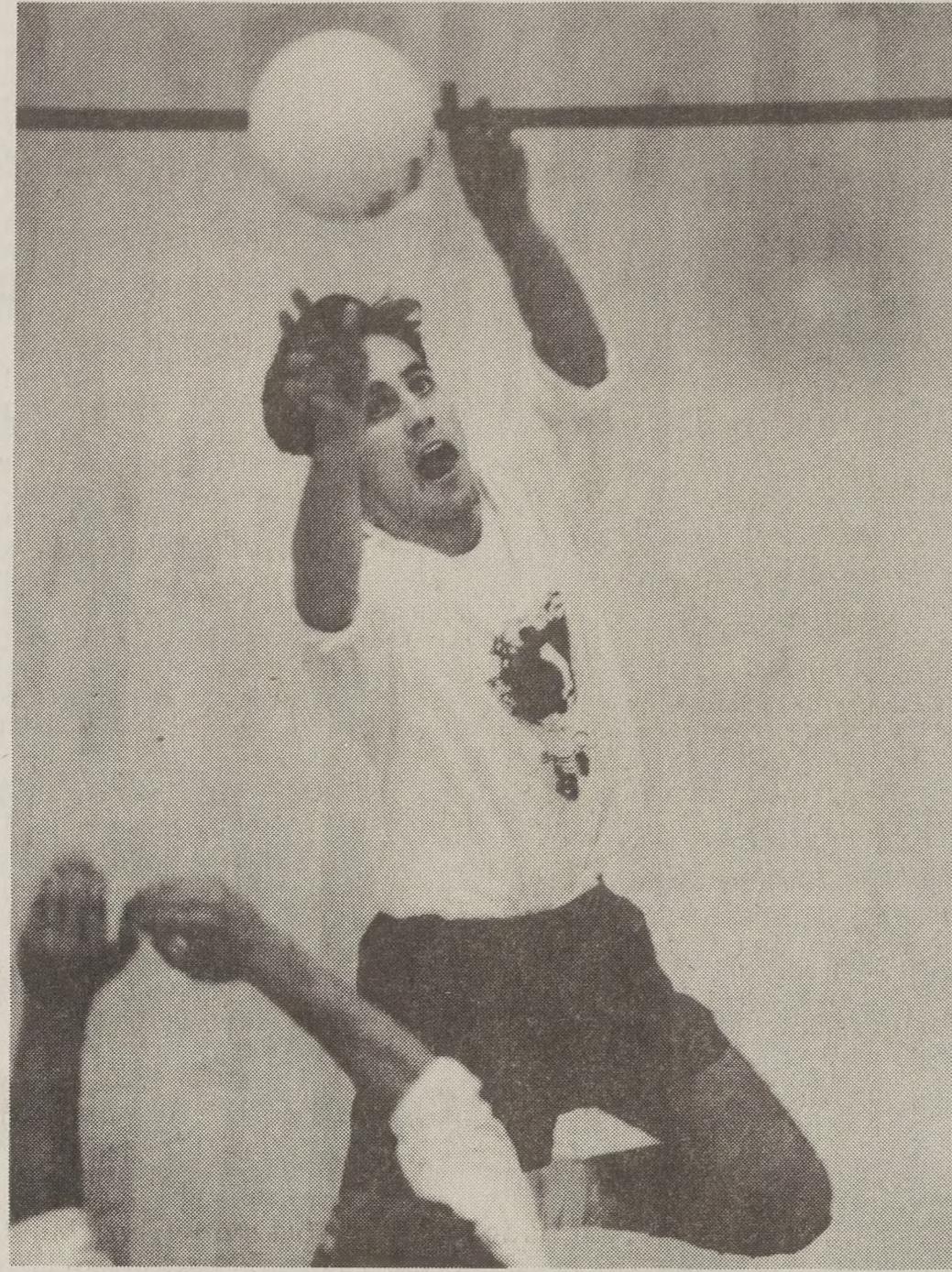
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Photos are clockwise (above) Students rush to buy tickets before BYU's inaugural match as an NCAA-sanctioned team against Pepperdine Friday night at the Smith Fieldhouse. (Top) BYU Setter Rod Cortez sets the ball for a hitter. (Right) Cougar Shawn Patchell serves in the second game. (Bottom right) BYU coach Marv Dunphy instructs his squad during a timeout. (Bottom) An enthusiastic Skule Vagen celebrates after a play. The Cougars lost to the Pepperdine Waves in three straight games 15-11, 15-9, 15-11.

BYU loses first match

By MICHAEL J. WARD
University Sports Writer

The rafters were shaking in the Smith Fieldhouse Friday night as 4,527 Cougar fans packed in to cheer on the BYU Men's Volleyball team as they took on the sixth-ranked Pepperdine Waves.

After the invocation by Elder L. Tom Perry, a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and the introduction of the opponent's starters, things got crazy.

The houselights shut down and spotlights swirled to the beat of the music as BYU's starting six were introduced. The fan noise was simply deafening.

The Pepperdine team, comprised mostly of freshman players, was noticeably shaken. Senior outside hitter, David Johnston said, "We've never had anything like that before."

BYU played tough volleyball, but the powerful Waves took home the win as they swept the Cougars 15-11, 15-9, 15-11.

"I'm thinking of Rome," said Cougar Coach Carl McGowen after the match. "It wasn't built in a day."

The team meeting was a solemn one as the players gathered after the evening's event, several with ice on their knees. "The first step was an L (loss), but it was a good first step. We're getting better every time we get on the court," McGowen told his players.

Pepperdine's Duane Cameron, Tom Sorenson and Dijon Dophner put on a clinic in blocking for the first 15 minutes of the match, while All-American Geoff Hart put on a clinic of his own in kills. The Waves went up 7-0 and diminished the crowd noise considerably.

After a BYU timeout, the Cougars slowly crawled back by forcing some Pepperdine errors.

With the Cougars down 9-4, Chris Rushing came off the bench for BYU. After several Rushing digs and a straight-down kill by Shawn Patchell, it was 9-6 and the fans were back. A service ace by Rod Cortez and the big roof (block) by Dan Dahl and Skule Vagen brought it to 9-8, but that's as close as the Cougars would get.

When the Waves, at 14-9, figured they had about wrapped-up the first game, the Cougars had other plans. They scored two more points and had eight sideouts before Sorenson and Brian Merrick combined on a block to end it at 15-11.

The Waves jumped out to a 14-3 lead in the second match as Cougar fans introduced the wave to the fieldhouse. Again, the Cougars crawled back as Dahl had some vicious blocks and Vagen had some equally vicious kills.

Pepperdine Coach Mary Dunphy called timeout at 14-5 but the Cougars scored four more and held off game point six times before they let the second one go at 15-11.

The third game was just as intense as the first two. One minute the Waves were leading 10-2 and a few blocks, digs and aces later it was 11-10. In the end the Waves pulled it out and won 15-11.

"It will be a different game the next time we meet," said assistant coach Rich Cortez. The teams meet again at Pepperdine on April 7.

McGowen and Cortez both touted the fans for their support and credited them for many of the Pepperdine errors.

"They couldn't serve," Cortez said. "You could see their knees shaking." Pepperdine had 17 service errors on the night.

In spite of the loss, several fans expressed enthusiasm for the volleyball season.

"There was never a boring moment," said one fan to another.



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